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Rather cold with high of 45. Fair tonight with low of 30 in the city and 25 in the suburbs. (Full report on Page A-2.)

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## NATO Backs Germans in Europe Army

Council Unanimous In Vote on Issue At Lisbon Session

**BULLETIN**  
LISBON, Portugal (AP)—The 14 Atlantic allies formally endorsed today the creation of a European defense army including German soldiers. The vote was unanimous in a historic full-dress North Atlantic council meeting.

By this action the council voted to bring 12 divisions from the West German republic into a six-nation army of two million men for defense of Western Europe against possible Communist aggression.

France, Germany, Italy, Belgium, The Netherlands and Luxembourg now can move swiftly toward signing a treaty paving the way for the army.

Ratification by the parliament of each nation must take place before the recruiting of Germans can begin.

**By the Associated Press**  
LISBON, Portugal, Feb. 22.—The United States agreed in principle today to give France an additional \$570 million in aid to help fulfill her rearmament program, an authoritative American source said.

The figure is not final, but is the one tentatively agreed upon, the source said.

He disclosed the decision just before the full North Atlantic Treaty Organization Council met to give its blessing to the European army plan to bring 12 German divisions into a unified force.

France, in turn, will raise an additional sum estimated at 100 billion francs (\$28 billion) to close the gap between what her rearmament plans will cost and what her inflation-stricken economy can afford.

**Request Made to Snyder.**  
A spokesman said most of the new United States assistance will be in the form of procurement contracts outside the United States, arms, contributions to the infrastructure (supporting network of air bases and communications) and similar measures.

It will not be in the form of direct dollar aid because that would require special Congressional authorization.

French Premier Edgar Faure put in the request for additional aid in a conference with United States Secretary of the Treasury John W. Snyder yesterday.

United States Secretary of State Dean Acheson called in his senior advisors this morning to discuss the French request.

**Cost of Bases Divided.**  
Meanwhile, finance and defense ministers made "substantial progress" in splitting up among the Allies the estimated \$450 million cost of building air bases, communications lines, depots and headquarters across Western Europe.

The United States is expected to end up with between 30 and 40 per cent of the check.

The formality of approving the proposed European army—an estimated 2-million-man force of Germans, French, Dutch, Belgians, Italians and Luxembourgers—would come about this afternoon, council sources said.

They also believe NATO endorsement will greatly ease the path for congressional approval of the \$7.9 billion President Truman is asking for foreign military aid.

American leaders here had been fearful that without quick endorsement for the European army, Congress might slash appropriations and stall plans for an Allied defense system big enough to warn off any Communist assault.

A senior American last night expressed hope that following NATO approval the six EDC nations—France, Italy, West Germany, The Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg—would rush ahead and sign a treaty before the congressional hearings on the aid bill.

Plans call for creation of a European army of 43 divisions—14 French, 12 each from Germany and Italy and five from the three Benelux nations.

After signature, the treaty must be ratified by all six national Parliaments before recruiting of Germans—a key part of the plan—can begin. France, fearful of a revived German military machine, insisted on that.

Informed sources said today the NATO armed force commander, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, feels a go-ahead for the EDC from the 14 NATO members is of considerable psychological importance.

NATO's blessing for EDC is necessary because, when France first proposed a European army 13 months ago, NATO noted that

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## Most Markets Closed

Security and commodity markets throughout the Nation are closed today in observance of Washington's Birthday. All Baltimore produce markets are closed, but Midwest livestock centers remain open.

## No Late Editions of The Star Today

Because of the holiday, the Night Final edition of The Star will not be published today.

Subscribers to this edition will receive the regular home edition.

## 70 Killed as U. S. Troops Smash Korea Prison Riot Led by Reds

1,500 Civilians Held in Koje Stockade Attack Guards, Subdued in 3-Hour Fight

**By the Associated Press**  
PUSAN, Korea, Feb. 22.—Communist-led troops of the United States 37th Wolfhound Regiment smashed a Communist-led riot in a Korean civilian prison compound Monday. The fight left 70 dead and 165 injured.

American authorities said today 750 American troops and 1,500 in-

Japan Cracks Down on Bar New Floor of Anti-United States Riots. Page A-5

terned Koreans were involved. The fight lasted three hours.

Announced American casualties were one killed, one wounded and 22 injured slightly.

The other 69 dead and 142 injured were interned Korean civilians.

News of the riot in the Koje Island stockade off South Korea was withheld for four days.

United States authorities said the rioters attacked with a vicious array of homemade weapons—steel pickets, blackjacks, iron pipe, metal tent pole spikes, barbed wire flails, wooden clubs, rocks and knives.

A United States 8th Army

spokesman in Seoul said at least one flash of what appeared to be gunfire from the mob was reported, but no guns were found among the Reds.

About 1,500 Korean civilians in compound No. 62 on Koje stormed in a screaming mob against the United States guards. Authorities said no Communist prisoners of war took part in the outbreak.

A high ranking officer said Compound 62 was filled with "the worst kind of Communists."

They had raised a North Korean flag over the compound. A South Korean flag flew over the neighboring compound.

Most of the prisoners, the officer said, were South Korean civilians who had been impressed into service by the Reds during their penetrations south of Parallel 38.

The 8th Army said the riot was Communist planned and led.

"Careful organization and planning were evident in the collection of weapons manufactured for this assault," the Army said.

A South Korean staff officer who accompanied Defense Minister Lee

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## Crackup of 2 Tankers May Bring Revised Ship Specifications

Coast Guard Alarmed By Rising Sea Disasters; Investigations Pressed

Investigation of the crackup of two tankers off Cape Cod this week may bring the adoption of new rules and specifications for the wartime ships in postwar service, it was indicated today.

Coast Guard officials are frank to say they don't know what improvements are needed to make the ships more seaworthy, but they are admittedly alarmed by the break-up of four, and possibly five, ships in the last two months.

The best physicists and metallurgists in the country don't know yet why they break up," said Rear Admiral Halbert C. Shephard, chief of the Coast Guard's office of merchant marine safety.

He said great improvement had been made in the ships built since the war, as evidenced by the fact that none of them has cracked.

The problem is to put the post-war know-how into remedying the faults of the wartime ships.

**Origin Traced.**

In the cases of the Fort Mercer and the Pendleton—the latest two sea disasters—Admiral Shephard said the origin in both cases can be pinpointed in both the cracks and the origin of the break has been saved in both ships, and engineers already are on the scene to start their investigation.

The irony of the present situation is that all the ships involved in the crackups had met the post-war requirement of riveted steel.

The riveted sections, Admiral Shephard explained, were not intended for strength but as crack-stoppers. In all but one of these cases, the cracks went through the straps.

Maritime and Coast Guard officials gave this background of the study that has been going on continuously since 1943 to make the ships more seaworthy.

During the war, welded ships were being turned out as fast as possible. Between 1943 and 1946, seven of the 2,570 Liberty ships and seven of the 523 tankers cracked up.

**Study Groups Set Up.**  
At the instigation of the Secretary of the Navy, a special committee was set up with representatives of the old Maritime Commission, the American Bureau of Shipping, the Coast Guard and the Navy to study what could be done about the fracture and break-up of the welded ships.

As a result of this study, the Coast Guard and the American Bureau of Shipping—both of which much certify ships flying the American flag before they go to sea—ruled that riveted plates must be put on the wartime tankers and Liberties as straps.

"The rule has obviously been effective," a Maritime Administration official said. "The marine insurance people consider these ships an adequate risk."

**Partly Welded.**  
Most of today's ships, it was explained, are partially welded. In the case of the postwar ships, however, the experience of the wartime failure has brought improvements in the specifications.

Contributing to the difficulties now being faced by the experts trying to figure what makes ships crack up is the fact that construction is not considered the only cause. The loading, nature of the seas, force of a hurricane and the master's seamanship are among other factors taken into consideration in the investigations.

Admiral Shephard emphasized that the study begun in the 40's is still going on.

## Windsor Going to Paris

LONDON, Feb. 22 (AP)—The Duke of Windsor, who came from America to attend the funeral of his brother, King George VI, will leave for Paris tonight. He will travel by train and ship. He is scheduled to sail for New York on the Queen Elizabeth February 28.

## MacArthur Lines Up Against Eisenhower, Denies Hating Truman

General's Statement Hits Magazine Article on His Political Preferences

By J. A. O'Leary

Gen. MacArthur lined himself up against Gen. Eisenhower "for political office" as the battle for the Republican presidential nomination went on unabated through Washington's Birthday.

The former Far East commander issued a statement saying that the magazine Newsweek had given the impression he is favorable to the nomination of Gen. Eisenhower by the Republicans and that he has a personal hatred for President Truman.

The magazine carried an article under the headline, "MacArthur: Prefers Taft, Likes Ike, Hates Harry."

**Remarks on Eisenhower.**

Gen. MacArthur's statement said he has a warm personal friendship for Gen. Eisenhower, springing from long military association, but added, "I do not support his candidacy for political office as I have no slightest knowledge of his political beliefs or his views on many grave issues which now confront our Nation."

As to President Truman, who fired him as supreme commander in Korea and Japan last year, Gen. MacArthur said:

"I have no personal feelings whatsoever with reference to him. My criticisms of the present administration are much more fundamental. They go to the grave issues involving the ideals, stability and security of the Nation."

Gen. MacArthur has been regarded generally as leaning toward Senator Taft of Ohio for the Republican nomination, and he did not deny that preference. Neither did he comment on a suggestion he would support Harold E. Stassen if Mr. Taft is not nominated.

**Other Developments.**

1. Senator Lodge, Republican, of Massachusetts, campaign manager for Gen. Eisenhower, denied the report that the Senate Foreign Relations Committee will be asked to call the general home next month to testify. Such a visit would give the general an opportunity to do what some observers think he will have to do to win the Republican nomination, namely bring up to date his views on the issues of the day.

2. Senator Hendrickson, Republican, of New Jersey, who sometimes differs with Senator Taft in legislative battles, said he

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## Taft Meets Critic Amid Boos and Cheers

By the Associated Press

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Senator Taft accused commentator Tex McCrary of calling him a liar on a television program last night. The audience boomed and cheered as the two men exchanged hot words over a passage relating to President Truman in Senator Taft's recent book.

Mr. McCrary, who is backing Gen. Eisenhower for the Republican presidential nomination, sought by Senator Taft, denied he had called the Ohioan a liar.

The argument was about the McCrary of calling him a liar on the network program, "Author Meets the Critic." Senator Taft, who wrote the book, "A Foreign Policy for Americans," was the author. The critics were Mr. McCrary and Newspaper Columnist George Sokolsky.

In the book, Mr. McCrary said, the Senator "was careless with the truth."

To back up his contention Mr. McCrary said the Senator was wrong when he said President Truman had not conferred with Congress on the Korean War for weeks after its outbreak.

Mr. McCrary said the President had talked with nine Democratic and five Republican Senators "within 61 hours" after the conflict started.

Senator Taft said his own statement was correct "because 14

## South Koreans Rout Invasion Of Isle by Reds

East Coast Outpost Held by Marines in 33-Hour Battle

By the Associated Press

SEOUL, Korea, Feb. 22.—South Korean marines beat off a Communist amphibious invasion of an Allied-held island off the northeast coast of Korea in a 33-hour battle, the Allies announced today.

The Korean army said its marines sank 13 of the 20 invasion boats.

Seventy invaders were reported killed and six captured. Prisoners included the commander of the amphibious attack.

Nine South Korean marines were killed and six wounded, the Navy said.

The assault was made by a Red battalion—about 800 or 1,000 men. It was not indicated whether they were Chinese or North Koreans.

**Attackers Flee to Mainland.**  
The battle began about 1 a.m. Wednesday and lasted until 10 a.m. yesterday when the last of the attackers fled back to the Red mainland in their remaining boats.

The assault was directed against Yang Island, about 16 air miles from the Communist east coast port of Songjin.

Yang is believed to be the northernmost island held by the Allies. It lies midway between the 40th and 41st parallel and serves as a lookout post off the Red coast. The island presumably is one that the Allies would give back to the Communists if an armistice is signed.

Planes from the United States Carrier Essex swept into the Songjin area yesterday smashing one Red supply boat and 25 sampans.

**Helicopters Foul Red Trap.**  
On the opposite coast the heavy cruiser Rochester bombarded a communications center between Pyongyang, the Red Korean capital, and its port city, Chinnampo.

The battleship Wisconsin turned her 16-inch guns on the eastern end of the snow-swept 155-mile battleline.

Heaviest fighting in recent days has been in the valleys between the eastern mountains. Yesterday Allied troops called on helicopters to pull them out of a Red trap in the east. North Koreans who had pinned down the Allies, withdrew over the snow-covered ground under the hammering of Allied artillery and reinforcements.

The United States 8th Army reported no fighting today except brief clashes between small groups.

Snow-filled skies restricted air operation.

## Fiery Cross Reported Burned at Harvard

By the Associated Press

BOSTON, Feb. 22.—The Boston Post says three Harvard students, a two-foot flaming cross in the Harvard Yard at midnight, February 11, outside the rooms of nine Negro students.

The Post said the students, who were not identified, "have been lectured by a subordinate Harvard official but as yet no official action has been taken by the Harvard authorities."

The newspaper added that the incident was "hushed up by university officials" but came to light through editorial condemnation in the Harvard Crimson, undergraduate newspaper.

The Crimson suggested the cross-burning "was most likely a wise-guy stunt of freshmen who are more guilty of ignorance than actual malice—ignorance because they could not have realized the full implication of their act."

The Post quoted several Negro students as feeling that the incident was a "frank rather than a manifestation of any organized Ku Klux Klan sentiment."



"... The enemy will endeavor to intimidate us by show and appearance; but remember they have been repulsed on various occasions... Their cause is bad—Their men are conscious of it..."

## Throngs Jostle for Bargains In Capital Holiday Tradition

One Buyer Waits 26 Hours; Another Uses Sleeping Bag

Downtown Washington became a happy hunting ground for bargain seekers today as thousands joined in good-natured, jostling rivalry to take advantage of sales that have become a Washington's Birthday tradition here.

Lines began forming last night in front of some stores which had advertised such bargains as typewriters for 99 cents and \$279 TV sets for \$49.

Store managers served hot coffee and sandwiches to the early birds just before dawn and police reserves were on hand to keep the bargain hunters in line. No disorder was reported.

After the first rush for spectacular "loss leaders" was over, clerks braced themselves for the rush which was expected to reach its peak about noon.

By 9 a.m. parking space was at a premium in the shopping district and street cars and buses were packed with men and women, their eyes bright with the hunting instinct of true bargain shoppers.

Mickey Margoles, 18, a sophomore at George Washington University, was cuddled in a fur lined sleeping bag at the head of a line of some 175 bargain hunters when Phillips Radio store at Eleventh and F streets N.W. opened

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## Accidental Gunshot Kills Policeman After Chase

ONEIDA, N. Y., Feb. 22.—An accidental gunshot killed a State trooper early today after a State police posse battled three armed desperados into submission.

The young gunman had broken out of Herkimer County Jail in Herkimer about three hours earlier after beating the jailer, Silas Casler, 46, with an iron bar and leaving him near death.

The fugitives were captured after a chase through a wooded swamp near West Winfield, 18 miles from Herkimer in Central New York.

Trooper Patrick F. O'Hara, 26, was wounded fatally when struck in the chest by a bullet from another trooper's rifle.

Inspector John J. Lawson said Kennedy was carrying the rifle.

The prisoners were identified as Air Force Pvt. Raymond Cervantes, 18, of Scott's Bluff, Neb.; Samuel Miller, 21, of Brooklyn, and Robert P. Bishop, 21, of Worcester, Mass.

It could have done as much good on half the money.

The Senator said he had been for the Marshall plan ever since the extent of the plan became clear.

He said he did not think President Truman had "presented" a single appropriation which could not be cut by 20 per cent.

Moderator of the program was Faye Emerson, stage, screen and television actress.

During the heated exchange between Senator Taft and Mr. McCrary, and as demonstrations broke loose among the program spectators, Miss Emerson stepped downstage and pleaded:

"Millions are watching us, let's not lose our heads.

"I am only a woman. May I please have quiet? Ladies and gentlemen, please help me as much as you can."

The crowd quieted down and the program proceeded to its scheduled end.

At the end of the show Miss Emerson thanked Senator Taft for appearing and told the audience he had to hurry to catch a train.

As he stood up to leave Senator Taft told Miss Emerson, "you have been most courteous." He put pointed emphasis on the word "you" and ignored Mr. McCrary.

## 89-Cent Car Bought By Alexandria Youth After All-Night Vigil

Seventeen-year-old Lewis (Sonny) Meador bought his first car today.

It was in a George Washington's Birthday sale at Old Dominion Motors in Alexandria. Young Meador, of 417 East Raymond drive, showed up at 11 a.m. yesterday to be sure of getting it.

He spent the night in the car, a 1939 Plymouth.

At 8 this morning he got it, for the advertised price—89 cents.

He was packed with men and women, their eyes bright with the hunting instinct of true bargain shoppers.

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## District Man Burned In Apartment Fire

A 43-year-old man was burned and suffered smoke exhaustion in a fire in his apartment early today.

Snowden Zigler, 43, of 811 Quincy street N.W., was admitted to Emergency Hospital in undetermined condition with burns on his left hip.

Firemen said the blaze started in a mattress, but its cause was not immediately determined. Damage was slight.

Firemen were called to the new Howard Johnson restaurant in the 1400 block of New York avenue N.W., early today to put out a basement blaze which apparently started from a short circuit in a refrigerator motor.

## 4 Killed as Navy Plane Crashes on King Ranch

KINGSVILLE, Tex., Feb. 22.—A twin-engined Navy plane crashed on the King Ranch early today, killing four of the six persons aboard.

The JRB Beechcraft plane had just taken off from the naval auxiliary training station here on a routine training flight.

The crash occurred about 1½ miles southeast on the big cattle ranch. The Navy gave no indication as to the extent of injuries to the two survivors.

## Carolina Freight Wreck Ties Up ACL's Main Line

WILSON, N. C., Feb. 22.—Twenty-three cars of a north-bound Atlantic Coast Line Railroad freight train were derailed early today, causing a traffic tie-up on the road's north and south parallel lines. Track was ripped up several hundred feet.

The derailment happened 4 miles north of Wilson, near Elm City. No one was reported hurt.

Wrecking crews and bulldozers went to work on the wreckage at dawn but there was no indication how long the lines would be closed.

## Three Children Die in Fire

SALEM, Ohio, Feb. 22 (AP)—Mrs. Dolores Flory left her auto yesterday afternoon for a few minutes to get some drinking water. Her three small children died in a fire before she returned. The flames, of unknown origin, centered around the door of the trailer, Cherryl Lynn, 2, and Pamela Jean, four months.

## Easing of Curbs Seen In NPA Approval of 645 Public Projects

Go-Ahead Will Apply To Most Construction Applications in Nation

By the Associated Press

The Government late yesterday took steps portending an easing of controls on three civilian fronts.

The National Production authority:

1. Approved construction of 645 churches, fire and police stations, orphanages, homes for the aged, jails, boys' clubs, community buildings and civic centers across the country.

2. Withdrawing its proposed limitation of 1½ bathrooms in each new house.

3. Promised to consider "immediately" a proposal that more aluminum be provided for civilian goods.

**Most Applications Included.**  
The go-ahead, it was understood, applies to virtually the entire list of pending applications for public welfare and safety projects in all parts of the country. The total estimated cost is more than \$200 million.

Henry H. Fowler, NPA administrator, said the issuance of authorizations will permit an immediate start on planning and preparatory work, such as excavation.

Allotment of the needed materials also will be made, but will be effective in the last six months of this year and the first quarter of 1953.

Details as to the specific projects approved and their location will not be announced, Mr. Fowler said, until after all the building authorizations and the allotments have been issued.

**Steel Increase Estimated.**  
A Government official who asked not to be identified today said an average increase of \$1 per ton would be a "fair guess" as to the amount steel prices might go up under the Capehart amendment to the economic controls law.

The dollar-per-ton average increase would be far below the \$9 to \$10 boost steel companies estimate is needed to meet demands for 18½ cents an hour wage increases by Philip Murray's CIO-United Steel Workers. The union also is asking a guaranteed annual wage of about \$3,000 plus other benefits, for steelworkers now earning an average of slightly less than \$2 an hour.

The steel problem is one of the more important items facing former Gov. Ellis Arnall of Georgia, sworn in yesterday as the Nation's new price boss to succeed Michael V. DiSalle, who resigned.

Mr. Arnall was sworn in by Federal Judge Frank A. Hooper in Atlanta, Ga., and promptly said he might have to "resort to brass knucks" in his \$16,000-a-year job.

## Foe of Western Ties Is Deported by Libya

By the Associated Press

TRIPOLI, Libya, Feb. 22.—The Libyan government today deported Beshir Bey Sadawi, the desert kingdom's strongest foe of Western military bases there, on charges he incited election trouble.

Sadawi is the leader of the anti-Western National Congress Party, decisively defeated by pro-Western government supporters in Tuesday's election of a House of Representatives.

Riots, which police blamed on the Congress Party, yesterday took one life and brought injury to two others as police fought off two bomb-throwing mobs which marched on the government building.

The government ordered a 6 p.m.-6 a.m. curfew on the city, which is the center of the Congress Party's strength. The order for Sadawi's deportation followed.

## Icebreaker Surveyed